Life, Battles and Career of Battling Nelson

XVIII. - Third Fight With Gans By BATTLING NELSON.

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HAD determined to keep in condi life. I had licked them all. I was tion and continue my fighting ca reer in the hope that I would finally get Gans in a ring and les people know which of us was real ly the better fighter. After touring the west I finally started for Seattle, where I had intended fighting one Kid Scaler but I stopped off at Portland in re

sponse to a long telegram. I was called to the long distance telephone upon my arrival, and who do you suppose was on the other end of the wire? No other than Willus Britt the clever little brother of Sir James

"I think I have everything arranges for a fight with Gans," said Willus in



WE DID ROAD WORK.

clear voice, and my heart jumped into my throat. I felt that my life's ambition was about to be realized.

After three conversations over the phone and a few hundred words over the telegraph wires the match was within a few hours of being closed. Johnny Reed very kindly agreed to let me call off the Scaler match, and I beat it for Frisco. Upon my arrival I

found that all arrangements had been made for me to fight Gans on July 4. I went to Menden Hall Springs for a week's training with my assistants— Jack Grace, Red Cornett, Percy Dana and Manager Willua Britt.

We spent a week at the springs, hunting and climbing hills and doing road work, etc. We found the high altitude very beneficial. Next we went to Millett's training quarters at Colma, Cal., which had been my old lucky

A Fourth of July Affair. We met at the lightweight limit, 133 ringside. The fight was to commence lirectly after weighing in. Jack Welsh of San Francisco was mutually agreed upon as referee of the contest by all parties concerned.

entered the ring a few minutes after 8, and both were accorded hearty receptions. After a bit of preliminary photographing and posing for the moving picture machines we bandaged our hands and were ready for the fray. Then old familiar Billy Jordan, the of-

"Gentlemen, this will be a forty-five ound contest, straight Marquis of berry rules to govern. Let 'er

As we entered the arena as nauel 1 was the under dog in the betting. Any one who cared to bet a dollar on me could practically "write his own tickt." Just to give an idea of how the battle looked in the fourth round such wise fellow as the "one time" fighter Sam Berger bet \$20 against \$2 with a personal friend of mine named Jo seph Hamlet of Ireland. I could never see where I had any the worst of the fighting at all, but some of our opin

After the seventh round I had such a big lead in the fight that every mar in the house seemed of the one opin on-"Nelson is a sure winner, and it is only a question of rounds before the black man will get his."

Before our first battle in Goldfield was somewhat in doubt as to my abili ty of being able to defeat the black wonder, but after that fight I was more confident than ever.

I knew full well that the negro had quit in Goldfield during the first part of the forty-second round, claiming foul, when the referee awarded him the verdict.

Gans Scents Defeat. In the sixteenth round Gans admitted that he was being beaten beyond all question when he attempted to take unfair means. He tried to push me through the ropes and, in fact, did

everything dirty he knew how rather than be knocked out by me. In the seventeenth round I became somewhat angered, but I was careful not to lose control of myself. I followed him around the ring, pounding

him unmercifully about the body. Toward the end of the round we fell into a clinch. As we were pulling away I saw my chance. Drawing my arm to one side about six inches, I dealt him a terrible left half scissors hook squarely on the top of his liver. The negro let forth a loud grunt. His face twisted up, his eyes rolled back, and, crumpling up like a bundle of paper, he fell sprawling on the mat. He was out good and clean.

Gans claimed foul two or three times during this Colma fight, but his claims were not allowed by Referee

I had achieved the ambition of my

Another Match With Gans. This worked on my pride, and, feeling that I could beat him again, I finally agreed to a return go. Jimmy Coffroth offered us flattering induce ments to fight again at his club in Colma, and after some argument over details I agreed to give the negro another chance.

The third and last fight with Gans was decided on Admission day, Sept. 9.

Eddie Smith of Oakland officiated as referee. For the first time in my life I entered the ring an overwhelming favorite in the betting. The betting was just the opposite of the Fourth of July meeting. At that time if you wanted to bet on me you could practically write your own ticket. In the present fight if you wanted to bet on the negro you could write your own ticket and there would be no questions

Practically all the betting that was done was on the number of rounds the negro would last. In the July fight I made two bets with him—one of \$500 against \$1,000 that I would win the contest, the other \$500 even money I would last twenty rounds. When I was making the bet I considered it about the same thing as robbing a many's safe. Navartheless it was Gans. man's safe. Nevertheless it was Gans who put the bet up to me, and I nat urally accepted it.

In the September fight I offered the negro the same bets that he offered me in the other match, only I was the favorite this time, but he refused to consider them.

Nelson Threatens His Opponent. Before commencing the battle walked over to Gans' corner and re minded him of the dirty, mean, con temptible, foul methods he used in the sixteenth round of our last battle, when he tried to push, me through the ropes and possibly injure me for life by so doing.

I warned him that if he attempted any of those tricks or resorted to any unfair means during the battle be would get all that was coming to him If Gans had any hope of winning this battle before we entered the ring he lost it all right there. He seeme to turn "white" with fright.

At the end of the twentieth round i was noticed that Gans shook hands with his manager, Benny Selig, as much as to say, "Well, I won," meaning he lasted twenty rounds and won

Joe's time after that was very short lived. In the twenty-first round he went out with a spirit of do or die, had blue ribbons with black lettering taking a chance of mixing for the first and a small rifle dangling. The comtime during the entire fight, with hopes of either landing a lucky punch or being laid away, thus ending his

He certainly bumped into several good hard punches by taking that



I WENT BACK HOME.

chance, as I finally succeeded in hook ing that now famous "left half scissors hook" into his liver. As soon as I had landed that punch I could tell that his finish was near. I stepped back a bit to steady myself to land another similar punch when he keeled over on his head, helpless and unable to continue

This made the third time that I had fought the same Gans and beat him each and every time with the same

While showing in Detroit the following fall the world's championship baseball series opened between the Chicago Cubs of the National league and the Detroit Tigers of the American league. By reporting these games for a syndicate of papers I became a writ-

er. Then I went back home. I don't mean that I found the literary business as easy to pull off as a fight or that I took to it with any great success at first. After I had prove doubly interesting in that the studied the game a little it went off nearest rivals, in location, are pitted better. It was my beginning as a newspaper writer, but I have done a Bros.; Crane No. 1 vs. Warner Bros.; Crane No. 2 vs. Yost; U. M. C. good deal of that work since then.

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and the E. C. & B. No. 1 team lose theirs, would the former team be the petter? Rather pertinent.

Is it a case of a surprise for the other

balls, shoes, etc. This will be good news to the other teams in the league

five men to pick from, ont of each and every time with the same fifteen men will be retained. Quite a identical punch—the "left hand scis-difference from last season when there sors book," which was originated by were only ten men to pick from and also to retain. Under those adverse conditions, however, they finished in first place at the end of the playing season. Under present conditions they ought to finish better than first.

Warner Brothers squad. If such is the case it can be seen where the South End team will have a look in

The games for Memorial Day will Co. vs. Singers.

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break into the league during the coming season. Both the Yost and Burnham No. 2 teams are stated as having some of the big leaguers.

Twenty men, led by Manager Kent, from the Brass Shop, cavorted around Seaside Park during the morning. This team, unlike the No. 2 Burnham and the Yosts have not a field of their Hoyt, aged 79 years.

Not much is being heard from the camp of the A. & B. team. Their only claim is that they'll be there with fly-

League records took a bound, last evening, at the Arcade alleys, the three individual total and the three string team total suffering thereby. To the All-Americans goes the records with the individual of 670 and the total of 1819. This was in the last game of the

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The Park City alleys were owned ex-clusively last evening by the U. M. C. Co. team, who had as their guests the Winchesters of New Haven. The New Haven crew blew into town on the 7:29 train, about 100 strong, and were immediately escorted to the alleys, by a committee from the U. M. C.'s. Big pins and ducks were indulged in. The local teams were victorious. After play

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